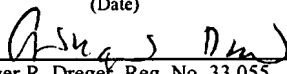


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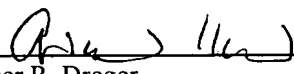
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on November 21, 2000 (Paper No. 28), setting a three-month term.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 13-21, without prejudice.

Please amend the remaining claims as follows:

1. (Three times amended) A method for identifying an [An agonist] antibody which [specifically binds to the extracellular domain of WSX receptor comprising the extracellular domain sequence within SEQ ID NO: 2, and] decreases body weight or fat-depot weight or food intake in an obese animal, comprising the steps of